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In re Application of:	
Nobuhiko NOMURA et al.	) Group Art Unit: <b>Not Yet Assigned</b>
Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned	) Examiner: <b>Not Yet Assigned</b>
Filed: January 28, 2004	) )
For: APOPTOSIS INDUCER AND METHOD OF SCREENING FOR A SUBSTANCE INHIBITING ACYLATED HOMOSERINE LACTONE	) ) ) )

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

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